

## PATENT CLAIMS

1. An absorbent article (100) such as a diaper or an incontinence protector, which absorbent article is designed like underpants, with a first leg opening (120) and a second leg opening (130) and a waist opening (110),  
5 where the article comprises at least a first openable seal line (140) arranged at the first leg opening, and first (150', 170') and second (150, 170) opening and closing means arranged to be able to cooperate with one another when the openable seal line (140) is broken, characterized in that the first  
10 (150', 170') and second (150, 170) closing means are situated on respective sides of the seal line (140) and are arranged on the surface of the underpants (100), the first closing means (150', 170') being arranged on the inside of the underpants and the second closing means (150, 170) being arranged on the outside of the underpants.  
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2. The absorbent article (100) as claimed in claim 1, in which the first (150', 170') and second (150, 170) opening and closing means are arranged substantially parallel to the main line of extent of the seal line (140).
- 20 3. The absorbent article (100) as claimed in claim 1 or 2, in which the first (150', 170') and second (150, 170) opening and closing means consist of touch-and-close tapes.
4. The absorbent article (100) as claimed in claim 1 or 2, in which the first  
25 (150', 170') and second (150, 170) opening and closing means consist of adhesive surfaces.